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GEO. CROSS SIGN WORLD COACH

By JIM COOK

George Cross have signed world-class coach Branko Sekulic, a 50-year-old Yugoslavian.



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Cop that, young Johnny... Hellas' Johnny Bedford appears to be getting a back-hander from J.U.S.T.'s dynamic little winger Tom Stankovic in their match at Olympic Park on Sunday. But Tom had his eyes and mind only on the ball — and Johnny was in the way! The other Hellas player is Tsolakes.

BARBECUE

Juventus are holding a barbecue this Saturday night at 7 Cecil St., Fitzroy. Don't miss it, you fans, and see the stars in action at Olympic Park on Sunday — Deiter Voigt and young di Marchi are at the peak of their form.

BIG DROP IN NSW CROWD

By MARTIN ASTON

Crowds are down badly at Sydney first division matches and local officials are worried about it.

And they well might be.

Some idea of to what extent our attendances have slumped can be gained from the fact that last Sunday's match between last year's premiers Apia and Pan Hellenic attracted a crowd of only 8,500 people.

The two clubs have easily the biggest following of any in the competition and the same fixture in the last two years has attracted around 20,000 spectators.

What is causing such a frighteningly sharp decline?

Nobody seems to know for sure but most agree

that the standard of play has fallen away to an alarming extent — into little more than a rough house.

In last Sunday's big match Pan Hellenic centre forward Doug Logan was taken from the field with blood pouring from a cut over his eye which later required six stitches.

Another player suffered a facial gash and a third was knocked unconscious.

Actually the decline in attendance figures represents a falling away in support

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George Cross officials are arranging an air passage for Sekulic to get him here in the next few weeks.

The club has been negotiating with Sekulic through FIFA for several months.

And the world Soccer controlling body have highly recommended him.

Sekulic, a top class player, represented Yugoslavia 53 times in International matches which took him to almost every country in the world.

Since his playing days, he has had spells as National coach of both Yugoslavia and Switzerland as well as coaching top club sides in Belgium and Switzerland.

Married with three children, it's extremely doubtful if he would have considered leaving Europe where his services have been in high demand but for one special reason.

One of his daughters suffers from asthma and this ended Sekulic to sign up with George Cross and come to Australia.

I believe Sekulic's services will cost George Cross a pretty penny and probably a figure which has not been exceeded previously by any other Australian club.

My guess is that Sekulic will have complete control over all training and possibly selection.

George Cross will offer him a contract which will be implemented into a long term one provided that the initial agreement is satisfactory to both coach and club.

Should this materialise his wife and family will follow.

It appears that Sekulic will be completely tied up with Soccer and is likely to be a full-time coach.

George Cross, making a strong bid for their first ever championship, will part company with their present coach John Hemmerling on the arrival of Sekulic.

But it is understood that Hemmerling was engaged with this in mind.

Once again George Cross, always to the forefront in

Lions sign new player

Lions have acquired a useful player with the arrival from Scotland of wing half or full back Willie Hamilton.

Willie, 5 ft. 10 ins., joined Kilmarnock in 1959 from the crack amateur side Saxones, and was with the senior side three years before moving to England.

During his term with Kilmarnock, Willie played alongside Billy Cook the centre half now with Slavia.

HELLAS SPECIAL

Our story on the player Hellas were lucky to sign has been held over for a special 12-page issue featuring the South Melbourne Hellas Club, its players and committee in two weeks' time.

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e parlano col vostro asso del calcio, Frank Barbazza. Egli farà degli sconti speciali per i membri della Juventus, nonché le migliori condizioni di vendita. Ci sono più di 300 auto fra cui scegliere, tutte collaudate e con una garanzia per iscritte di 12,000 miglia oppure di 12 mesi. E' la migliore occasione ora sulla piazza.

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SI PARLA ITALIANO

Banned—but he's still there

JIM CONDOS, the Pan Hellenic supporter who was barred for life earlier this year, has not missed a match since the ban was applied by the N.S.W. Federation more than two months ago.

He told me this last Sunday after he had led the way in an amazing show of Greek enthusiasm after Pan Hellenic scored a shock 1-0 victory over last year's premier Apia.

"They will never stop me", he declared with emotion.

"I love the game of Soccer and I will continue to watch Pan Hellenic wherever the team is playing".

Condos and thousands of other supporters embraced and kissed the players as they left the ground after one of the roughest games of the season.

He somehow managed to get into the dressing room in the general excitement and later drank champagne with the players and officials at a big celebration at the Hellenic club.

The N.S.W. Federation has issued a picture of Condos along with a strict instruction to all of its clubs that under no circumstances is he to be admitted to any match.

But officials are finding it impossible to enforce such a ban.

"He looks just like any other Greek supporter and we have much more important things to do than to search the crowd looking for him", said an official of another club.

The whole affair has developed into a big joke.

Pan Hellenic are planning to make a tour of the East at the end of the season and there is a strong chance that Condos will be accompanying them.

FOUR years ago Tiko Yelisavich arrived in Australia with four bottles of his favorite plum brandy and a large parcel of Yugoslavian salami.

And he was plunged to the depths of despair when Customs officials at Sydney's Mascot airport confiscated the salami.

But one thing which could not be taken away from him was an almost magical ability to win

BACKGROUND TO SOCCER

the respect of a struggling Soccer team and send it out on to the field with a definite plan and a surprising determination to fight for every ball.

Yelisavich did this when he took just one season to inspire Yugal to rise from the obscurity of the second division and win the Australian Cup.

And the way in which he did the impossible and at short notice produced an Australian team which shocked everybody by twice gaining a draw with Chelsea proved that he is in world class as a coach.

Chelsea's outspoken manager Tommy Docherty went on record as saying "Your officials are crazy if they do not give Yelisavich a contract for a year or two to build up your Australian team. And now he has done it again.

Last Saturday relegation threatened Hakoah caused the upset of the season by ending the unbeaten run of St. George Budapest with a 1-0 victory — little more than a week after Yelisavich had signed a three-year contract with the club.

★ ★ ★

At the moment Sydney's most excitable Soccer player, Johnny Giacometti of Apia, is the leading goal scorer of the competition.

He has scored 14 goals in nine matches to have a lead of three over South Coast's hard-running inside forward Graham Barnett.

Off the field Giacometti keeps to himself and rarely says a word to any of the other members of the Apia team.

But for some reason once he gets on to the ground he angrily disputes decisions by the referee

Leading goal scorers at present are: J. Giacometti (Apia) 14; G. Barnett (South Coast) 11; J. Galambos (Metro) 10; J. Watkiss (Apia) 7; K. Jaros (Apia) 6; A. Vicevic (Yugal) 6; J. Warren (St. Geo. Budapest) 6; G. Yardley (St. Geo. Budapest) 6.

Morrie Buckner

says...

IT always annoys me to hear or read real or implied slanders about clubs, particularly those which accuse innocently progressive clubs of trading in players just for the purpose of making money.

Slavia has been attacked in this fashion, and now Sydney's "green paper" has run an article about Hakoah which carried the same slanderous inference — that the club is profiting by trading in players as though they are just pieces of merchandise.

It's a pity these so-called journalists don't check on the facts, then present them as a properly researched story. Neither the journalist nor the newspaper are doing their jobs unless both are prepared to publish THE WHOLE STORY, not one-sided scraps of nonsense that are apparently intended to create an unfair impression with the readers.

Under the misleading heading of "Hakoah's Sellout Creates Record", the writer names about 18 players that have been transferred by Hakoah. He fails to state that the transfers have been spread out over a period of THREE YEARS OR MORE. Nor does he mention the fact that at least seven of the players were transferred either on loan or without a fee to help teams in lower divisions. Nor does he say how many of the transfers were made merely to meet the wishes of the players involved.

He goes off the rails altogether by stating that Hakoah grossed between £4,000 and £5,000 for the players listed. The actual figure for the whole list was less than £2,500. Some were free transfers. Some were players on loan or exchange. Some, like Hans Petersen for instance, were also special cases. Hans went back to Wilhelmina over three years ago for the same fee as that paid for him.

But why on earth doesn't the writer tell the public what Hakoah has spent to lift the standard of Soccer in Victoria during the same three years? This club has invested many thousands of pounds in bringing players from the United Kingdom. Two, including Gerry Chaldi, were brought from other States. Only two were acquired locally — Johnny Walker from Moreland, and Teddy Smith from Hellas.

Just look at this list of players from overseas — John O'Neill, Hugh Murray and his brother Gerald, Ken Waugh, Terry Hartley, Bobby Adams, Jim O'Neill, Eric Haynes, Billy McIvor, Alan Vivers, Bill Rowley, Alan Stenhouse, Bill Latto, Alex Purdie, Bennie McQuillan, Tom Howlett, Ian McDonald, and David Smith. There are probably more — but isn't that enough?

And now as Hakoah faring now? Well, the senior team is in fifth position and is the "dark horse" of the State League. The Seconds are leading the Reserves League with 61 goals for and 15 against. The Thirds are leading the Open Age League with 68 goals for and 14 against after only eight rounds, and the runner-up in this league is Hakoah-Ajax. And Hakoah Under 18's are leading their Junior League. All this sounds like a well-managed club, with club spirit commendably high.

BIG DROP IN CROWDS

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by the New Australian supporters who have been carrying the code for years.

Actually, this could be a blessing in disguise.

There is no chance of the "old Australian" Soccer supporter coming back to the game until every trace of foreign names is removed from the clubs and a man can take his wife and children to a match without fear of a riot taking place.

And perhaps the current trend could lead to more young Australian players getting a chance at the expense of the fifth-rate overseas players who are coming here at the moment.

RANGERS' RAFFLE

Park Rangers special effort results were:

1st, No. 1971; 2nd, 1128; 3rd, 0125; 4th, 0189; 5th, 0727.

IT'S a good team that can take a beating, learn a lesson from it, and put it to good use next time out.

Two weeks ago, Hellas was thrashed 3-1 by Juventus. One of the reasons for that defeat was the fact that too many of the Hellas players dithered and dribbled negatively every time they were in possession — which was never for long because of speedy tackling by Juventus.

Last Sunday against J.U.S.T., Hellas was a different team. The players never held the ball, but moved it swiftly in square, diagonal, long, short, and high passes. And, like Juventus, they tackled swiftly to "spoil" their opponents. Result — a most important win against a highly-rated side.

Best man afield was Johnny Anderson, back where he belongs at right half, from where he triggered most of the Hellas raids.

* * *

HELLAS richly deserved its win, so what follows here has no bearing on the result. Nor is it intended to tear referees apart. It is simply a plea for more consistency by referees in their rulings.

In Sunday's game at Olympic Park, J.U.S.T. was penalised unnecessarily on several occasions in several ways. Lou Stafrace pulled J.U.S.T. up twice for trying to get the advantage of quickly-taken free kicks, even though the players placed the ball down to make it the required "dead" ball. He also penalised J.U.S.T. by not implementing the "advantage rule" when its players came away from a foul with the ball.

Finally, he allowed Jimmy Pyrgolios to crowd Tommy Stankovic when Stankovic was taking corner kicks. Lou stopped Jimmy the first time, then allowed him to get away with it the second time.

* * *

THE day before, Slavia was similarly penalised by referee Tom Edwards during its game against George Cross.

Then of course there was Mr. Edwards' highly debatable decision to disallow the goal scored by David Short. From where I saw the incident, no infringement had occurred either prior to or during the action that ended with the ball in the net.

The referees concerned may have good reasons for their decisions. Unfortunately, they are forbidden to discuss them with the press.

This can lead to unfair criticism of the men in the middle, and it would be an excellent thing if the Referees' Association were to appoint a spokesman to explain to the public the reasons for some of the referees' decisions, especially where these have been disputed or criticised.

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MR EDGAR IS ALL FOR SOCCER



Gerald Edgar, the 37-year-old Englishman, who was recently appointed secretary of the Victorian Soccer Federation, says Soccer has a big future here.

Mr. Edgar said yesterday "If nobody puts any effort into Soccer in Australia it will expand despite this. But if we all pull together and promote it, the game has the biggest future of any sport in the country."

Mr. Edgar is married with four sons. Their ages are: 4, 8, 12 and 16.

He has been in Australia two years and comes from Crosby, Lancashire.

His local league teams were Everton and Liverpool and although he wasn't a regular supporter of these clubs he took an interest in them.

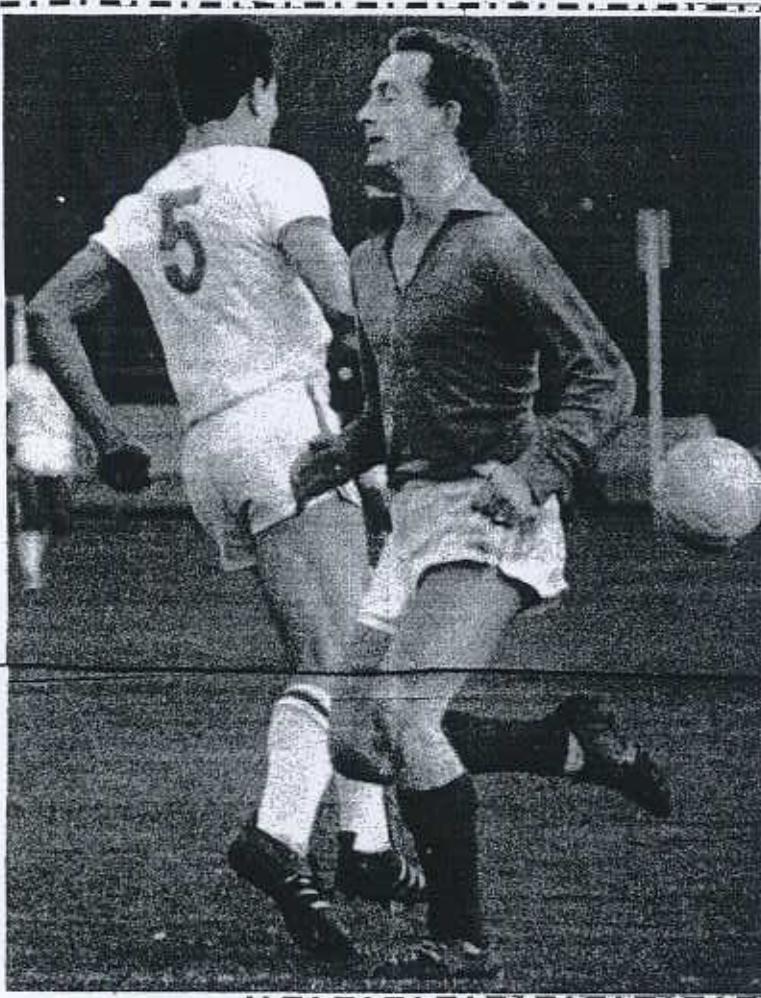
As a boy Mr. Edgar played full back for his school and later in the Cameron Highlanders during National Service, he also played Soccer.

Mr. Edgar is a professional company secretary and lives in Preston.

He likes music and is a member of the Gilbert and Sullivan Society of Victoria.

He told Soccer News he was happy to serve Soccer and would like assistance from clubs during the next few weeks while he's settling down into his new job.

- An Englishman
- 37-year-old
- Married
- Has four sons
- Company secretary
- Former Army man
- Likes music
- Played Soccer.



LET'S HAVE a rest awhile! J.U.S.T.'s centre forward Billy Rice and goalkeeper Marko Fode crash to the ground after Fode had saved the ball in a scrimmage at Olympic Park on Sunday.

J.U.S.T. in danger

By JIM COOK

J.U.S.T. could be in real danger of defeat when they meet Hakoah in a vital match at Middle Park on Sunday.

Hakoah by their recent performances, have shown they are not a side to be trifled with, and they have more mobility than the Footscray side.

Purdie and McIvor have settled in well on the wings, and with Murray and Stenhouse blending well with the dominating centre-half John O'Neill, Hakoah have emerged a top-class side.

They are now more tenacious and their never-give-in spirit will worry J.U.S.T.

But J.U.S.T. have potential match-winners in Rice, Mladenovic, Blue and Stankovic, and if these four click the Footscray colors will be flying high on Sunday.

J.U.S.T.'s big problem is that at odd times they make the grave mistake of not fully emphasising their overall superiority.

My tip is J.U.S.T. — but only just!

SLAVIA v. S.M. HELLAS

Another top-line Saturday fixture at Olympic Park, which should go down well with the fans. Both sides, with plenty of talent in their ranks, are capable of turning on the type of Soccer that makes the sparks fly.

Slavia with their orthodox and calculating play will be opposed by a Hellas side which gambles to some extent on pressurized play with a flair for attacking straight from the kick-off.

In defence, Slavia are much stronger especially at wing half and full back. On the move in attack, both have opportunists — Laraman for Slavia and Mandals for Hellas.

In a game that could swing either way I take Slavia to win.

JUVENTUS v. POLONIA

The all-powerful Juventus side will be an acid test for Polonia's sprinkling of juniors. And maturity combined with strength and experience invariably wins.

Another feature of Juventus is that nowadays they have considerable skill in their ranks and with their recent successes they ooze with confidence. New full back, Milton, looks a capture. Millar is in great form and Bell is rapidly establishing himself as one of our best inside forwards.

Polonia have potential in their side especially at full back where young players

Marmour and Cierpacz are getting excellent support and encouragement from Janczyk and Dudon.

In attack, however, the Poles fall down. And Juventus' defence should bottle them up to win well.

CROATIA v. MELBOURNE

The one-all draw of the first game between this pair is not likely to repeat itself. Both are in a desperate position and an outright win is more on the cards.

Melbourne's sure-footed but decidedly overworked defence in which McGowan and Scott excel, will have their hands full with Croatia's breezy but so far unproductive attack. McCormick and Jojtek on form will take some holding and watching.

Although Croatia are shaky at full back and centre half, this is outweighed by Melbourne's listless attack.

Croatia could snatch the points in a grim struggle.

TRIESTINA v. WILHELMINA

With a miserable goal average and points total, Triestina hardly rate with Wilhelmmina, who despite being far from convincing are much more steady and better placed.

And the league placings are a fair indication of the overall difference in the sides. Triestina, with too little class in their side, are badly missing Del Fabro at centre half.

The brunt of their defensive play is borne mostly by Grosz, who hardly gets a breather. And in attack only Menich the former Melbourne player looks likely.

Wilhelmmina, with players of the calibre of Hobson, Van Alphen, Pete Brouwer and Stoofels, should collect two easy points.

LIONS v. GEORGE CROSS

Punchless and dispirited for many weeks, Lions are at an all-time low. But they are bound to show some improvement very soon, however slight.

New coach Geoff Davies is aware of his task, but nothing short of a mammoth spending spree or the quick importation of several good players will solve his side's dramatic run of reverses.

STATE LEAGUE GAMES

SATURDAY, JUNE 26: Croatia v. Melbourne (Maribyrn), Triestina v. Wilhelmmina (Showground), Slavia v. S.M. Hellas (Olympic).

SUNDAY, JUNE 27: Juventus v. Polonia (Olympic), Lions v. Geo. Cross (Elst. Pk.), Hakoah v. J.U.S.T. (Mid. Pk.).

George Cross are seldom careless against weak opposition and with the possibilities of the league being decided on goal average, they will rub in. Aces in their side are wing halves, Brown and MacPherson.

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MURNEY NEW LEADER

Hakoah's Hugh Murney has hit the front in voting for the Soccer News Best and Fairest trophy.

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J.U.S.T. v. Hellas
3—Blue (J.U.S.T.).
2—Kamboropoulos (H.).
1—Mantarakis (H.).

HAKOAH v. TRIESTINA
3—Pudie (Hak).
2—H. Murney (Hak).
1—Gow (Triest).

MELBOURNE v. LIONS
3—Twinham (Lions).
2—Scott (Melb).
1—Scharz (Lions).

WILHELMINA v. JUVENTUS
3—Scott (Juv).
2—van Alphen (Wil).
1—Luckhurst (Juv).

GEORGE CROSS v. SLAVIA
3—Laraman (Slav).
2—McPherson (G.C.).
1—Adams (G.C.).

POLONIA v. CROATIA
3—McKay (Croatia).
2—Jurecki (Pol).
1—Adlam (Croatia).

PROGRESS
15—H. Murney (Hak).
14—Anderson (Hellas).
G. Scott (Juv).

13—A. Scott (Melb).
12—McPherson (G.C.).
11—Hodgson (G.C.).

Laraman (Slav).

10—Blue (J.U.S.T.).

9—Vojtek (Croatia).

Roussis (Hellas), Short (Slav).

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Former Israeli champion Gerry Chaldi is one of the powers in the Hakoah forward line. He is giving the side a lot of drive and his experience is a telling factor in Hakoah's improved form. Gerry is also coach of the young Hakoah-Ajax side.

Hullo...
I'm here

Hakoah had planned for months to bring top centre-forward Jim O'Neill from Britain.

But when he arrived in Melbourne recently, he took the club by surprise. No-one was at the airport to meet him, because he had not told the club he was coming.

A Commonwealth Immigration official brought him to the city and club team manager Fred Hutchinson quickly took him under his wing.

Hakoah, after chopping and changing their team in the past few seasons, have now settled on a strong combination.

Here is their regular line-up:

John Walker — Scottish junior keeper with Clydebank Juniors, who was transferred from Moreland.

Bill Latto — Scottish junior full back who has played both centre-half and wing half.

Ken Waugh — A "Geordie" from Newcastle who had senior experience with Newcastle and Hartlepools United.

Hugh Murney — Wing half who had senior experience with Morton and Queen of the South in Scotland.

John O'Neil — The former Preston North End and Barrow centre-half who has representative honors for his native Ireland.

Alan Stenhouse — Wing half and utility player. Previously with Motherwell.

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HAKOAH

By JIM COOK



Team one of the best now

Hakoah, after chopping and changing their team in the past few seasons, have now settled on a strong combination.

well and Cowdenbeath.

Alec Purdie — Right winger who has been around the senior teams with Stirling Albion, Arbroath and English non-leaguers Poole Town.

Gerry Chaldi — The former Hakoah (Sydney) player in his second season in Melbourne and striking his best form now.

Teddy Smith — The only Australian in the side. Played for Australia in the Olympic Games in Melbourne. Formerly with Moreland and Hellas.

James O'Neil — A recent acquisition. An Irishman and a centre forward who played with Sunderland and Walsall. Represented Ireland.

Billy McIvor — Drafted to the left wing berth since the departure of Keenan. Played with Kilmarnock and Dumbarton.

Bill Rowley — Top-scorer in the 1965 night Soccer. A centre forward who comes from Falkirk.

Ian McDonald — Former Port Vale and Third Lanark goalkeeper.

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Hakoah are one of the oldest State League clubs in Australia, and they are one of the most successful.

Their success in recent years has not been spectacular, but they are slowly building up to be one of the forces in State League and this year could see them in the final four.

The Hakoah club was founded in 1927 by the late Jack Skolnik. In the early years they played on the Exhibition grounds, the old Olympic Park and Princess Park.

In 1956 they made their start at Middle Park, sharing an old tip with South Melbourne United.

£65,000 to be spent

Today, of course, Hakoah are joint tenants with Hellas of the magnificent remodelled Middle Park with its first class playing surface, concrete terracing, super stands and dressing rooms, catering and press facilities that go to make up any first class ground.

The remodelling and renovations at Middle Park are estimated to cost about £65,000.

It is a tribute to the Hakoah officials—and their Hellas counterparts—that they have persevered and pestered Senator Pat Kennelly and the Middle Park Trustees to make Middle Park what it is today.

What is not known to many people is that the Hakoah and Hellas clubs have had to make big sacrifices and guarantees to get where they are. And without Senator Kennelly and the Middle Park Trustees one shudders to think what the ground would be like. It's certain the clubs would have no hope of performing operation "Magic" without outside aid.

The road to the top for Hakoah has not been easy. During the war they merged with Moreland. Three times they were relegated to the second division, but each time they fought their way back to the top league.

Some of the outstanding players in the early days were Jack Skolnik, Ace Roth (captain for many years), Frank McIvor (now chairman of the Country Association), Nat Spicer, Alan Forest and Alby Meyer.

The club won senior league honours in 1934, 1935 and 1943. They won the Dockerty Cup in 1935, 1945, 1953, 1954 and 1956. The Reserves won the league in 1958, 1959 and 1960 as well as the Harry Armstrong Cup in 1956, 1958 and 1960.

Ace Roth, Ralph Piercy, Harry Rice, David McIntosh, Harry Sutherland, Tom Jack and Syd Thomas played for Victoria and Australia.

Four of the best

Four of the best ever to play for Hakoah were Aldo Vitti, Ace Roth, Milija Vesovic and Tom Jack.

As well as the senior side and reserves, Hakoah have always encouraged the juniors and at the moment have 120 boys of all age groups under their wing.

Mature products of their juniors still on their books are Sam Tarascio, Doug Rogers and Stan Jacobs.

They have a special section, too, in Hakoah-Ajax, whose current form and placing suggests they will be a valuable nursery side.

Night Soccer finalists this year, Hakoah faltered early in the current league program but with new talent plugging weak positions they have hoisted themselves well up the ladder and the future looks bright.

Their recent defeat of Juventus and draws with Hellas and George Cross suggest the Middle Parkers are back with a bang.

Age has not varied them



NEW BLOOD AS LIFTED HAKOAH

A new full back, George Smith, formerly of Morton and Third Lanark, arrives this week to join Hakoah. This is another move by the Hakoah management to leave no one unturned to provide a side equal to the best.

The reformation of Hakoah over the past two years has been an eye-opener. No one has been spared to act and recruit the best class player.

He has only to reflect back to 1963 when only a few points separated him and Croatia, who were relegated.

any of the older hands left Middle Park either through transfer or been sold. Dissatisfaction at going in and out of the team was the main reason for the mass departures.

Now players who have stormed the side, now ready for a jump into the first team are: Johnny Walker, O'Neill, Alec Purdie, Gerry Chaldi, Hugh Murray, Bill McIvor and Jim ill.

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HAKOAH

V.
J.U.S.T.

Middle Park, Sunday

kick-off 2.45 Reserves 1 p.m.

Men at the top are on the ball

Australian-born Ted Smith has made a comeback to the Hakoah team with a vengeance. He was dropped last year when he could not fit into the forward line. Now he is one of the team's most consistent players.

Mr. Hakoah

No story on Hakoah would be complete without paying a special tribute to Mr. Hakoah himself — a well-known figure in many top sports, Kurt Defris. Kurt has held the reins as Secretary-Manager of the club for the past 16 years.

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HAKOAH BALL

Hakoah will hold their annual ball at the Southern Cross on July 3. This is a great night all supporters will not want to miss.

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First Team coach: Ollie Norris.

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zionale.

This must stop!

SOME supporters are bad sportsmen judging by the disgusting exhibition at one first division game last Saturday.

Dandenong players were hailed with stones by irate fans after their match.

It was a fast and exciting game with Makedonia having most of the play, but fine defensive work by Fletcher, Mailly and Galloway kept them at bay. The important goal was scored by Brian Hol-

combe from 15 yards, only two minutes from time.

Although I think Makedonia will beat Oakleigh this Saturday, they will have to get their forward line working to improve their goal average.

Alexander, following their easy win over Moreland, should continue their winning way over the inconsistent Box Hill and stay favorites for the State League next year.

Even though Moonee Ponds had a good win at home to Athena last week, Dandenong should prove too strong for them after their fine win over Makedonia.

Athena look too strong for Moreland who seem booked for the second division next season.

Both the Coburg v. Sunshine City and Sandringham v. Austria matches should be close. I would not be surprised to see two draws here.

SECOND DIVISION

St. Albans, who have their eyes firmly set on the State League within three years, have reached the top of the ladder.

The fight against relegation is as close as the tussle for promotion, and

Metropolitan Round-up with MARTIN HARRIS

Their recent spending on such players as Kurt Beinroth, (ex-Lions) appears to have paid dividends. However, they haven't been scoring well and will be hard pushed to beat Brighton.

The young Springvale side following their upset win over Ferntree Gully should improve their promotion chances with a win over Libertas.

Ringwood have improved their position in the last two weeks with wins of 6-2 and 7-1 over lowly Park Rangers. But I do not think they will find Ferntree Gully such easy opposition despite last week's set back.

As for the Bayswater v. South Yarra clash, I'm tipping Bayswater. They have fighting qualities as proved in last year's battle to avoid relegation from Division 1. But only a goal is likely to separate them.

this week sees the bottom four clubs battle it out in what could decide relegation for this season.

Park Rangers, despite home ground advantage should find Prahran too tough, Prahran having consolidated their position with a narrow win over Bayswater last week.

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THIRD DIVISION

Highlight of the Third Division clashes this week is the meeting of the top four clubs.

Ajax appear to be the form horses, and it's good to see a club get promotion one year, and then be in the running for promotion in a higher grade the next.

Moorabbin and F.N.D.

should be a close struggle with Moorabbin favorites to regain some of their lost prestige.

They should pip Trident in a close game, but I wouldn't be surprised to see a draw here.

Frankston who have only given away 7 goals in 13 games, have easily the best defence on the ladder, and for this reason I tip them to beat Altona.

The remaining games although having little bearing in the promotion race should be interesting.

Essendon, despite their recent signing of Vin Gillies, from Box Hill, and their possible captures of some ex-State League players, will find it hard to climb back into the promotion race. They should, however, overcome Heidelberg without much difficulty.

Moorabbin and F.N.D.

should be a close struggle with Moorabbin favorites to regain some of their lost prestige.

I.C.I. haven't gained a point so far this year, but I will stick my neck out and say they will gain at least a draw at Northcote.

FOURTH DIVISION

Hercules confirmed their mortgage on the premiership flag with a well-deserved 8-0 win over Airport West, and will keep their unbeaten record against Tullamarine this Saturday.

If any clubs have news items regarding Metropolitan Soccer, or particulars on games of the preceding Saturday, they should contact me at 63 9561, or after hours at Seaford 6 1295.

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J.U.S.T. JUSTICE -

• JIM COOK reviews Sunday's big game.

J.U.S.T. 1, S.M.-HELLAS 2

The skilful but unproductive J.U.S.T. lost two valuable points to a Hellas side which seized their second-half chances at Olympic Park on Sunday.

And the responsibility lay with the J.U.S.T. inside forwards especially who failed to capitalize on the smart leading up work of the side.

For the first 20 mins. it was mostly Hellas with Boula's Kamboropolous splitting the J.U.S.T. defence with opening after opening.

On at least two occasions the promising but immature 17-year-old left winger

of Hellas, Damianakos was presented with gilt edged chances to score. But with the goal at his mercy he showed his weakness to miss badly.

J.U.S.T. got a grip of the game and with attacking half back play went on the offensive. They appeared most unlucky to have a penalty claim denied in the 23rd min. when Anderson tugged and nudged Madenovic in the penalty area.

Referee Straface waved play on evidently apply-

FLOP

ing the advantage rule but Madenovic still on his feet was off balance for his parting shot which was diverted past for a corner.

Fourteen minutes later justice was served when Roussis brought down Blue and Van der Peel made no mistake to score from the spot to put J.U.S.T. ahead.

J.U.S.T. took the initiative and running of the game which they maintained for some time after the half way mark. But futile attempts to find position and follow up by the inside forwards lost them chances of increasing their lead.

Hellas struck back in 56 minutes when Pygrolls from near the corner flag position, whipped over a picture cross for Mandalis to head home. Fifteen minutes later Johnny Anderson drove in a shot which Fode could only palm out. The waiting Pygrolls made no mistake to score from close range.

Despite some belated attempts by J.U.S.T. in the remaining stages, Hellas stood firm to clinch a surprise win.

J.U.S.T. were best served by Fode, Morgan, Rice and Blue.

For Hellas, Kamboropolous was the mainspring of their attacks with many astute moves. He was well supported in front by Ackerley. In defence Service and Bedford took the eye.

JUNIORS

Next Sunday the open age group juniors will finish the first round.

The following games will be played: Hakoah-Hakoah-Ajax, Mornington - Melbourne, Wilhelmina-Tullamarine, Hercules - Carlton Serbia and Lions-Lefcas.

All games will be played on Sunday.

A postponed cup game was played last Saturday between Hakoah and Wesley College under 18. Hakoah won 8-3.

Goalscorers for blue-whites were: Harris (4), Kenwyn, Caningham, Roessler and Bonner one each.

Second round of the cup competition in all age groups will be played this weekend.

Last weekend results of North of the Yarra were: Under 14 — Northcote 1, Lions 0; Carlton 1, George Cross 0; Reservoir 0, Collingwood 1; Glenroy 1, Ajax West 1.

Under 18 — J.U.S.T. 7, Glenroy United 0; Ardeer 4, George Cross 0; Juventus 2, Ajax 0; Glenroy 3, Sunshine City 3.

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STATE LEAGUE		FIRST DIVISION						
		P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Juventus		10	8	0	2	21	5	16
S.M.Hellas		10	7	2	1	22	7	16
George Cross		10	7	1	2	19	7	15
J.U.S.T.		10	6	2	2	20	9	14
Hakoah		10	5	3	2	18	8	13
Slavia		10	5	2	3	15	11	12
Polonia		10	3	3	4	8	13	9
Wilhelmina		10	2	4	4	11	16	8
Croatia		10	2	2	6	12	18	6
Melbourne		10	0	5	5	12	5	
Triestina		10	1	2	7	10	31	4
Lions		10	0	2	8	6	30	2

FIRST DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Alexander	13	11	0	2	43	11	22
Makedonia	13	7	5	1	24	7	19
Austria	13	5	4	4	13	17	14
Dandenong	13	5	3	5	19	16	13
Athens	12	4	4	4	22	21	12
Moonee Ponds	13	4	4	5	19	23	12
Coburg	13	5	2	6	23	26	12
Sandringham	13	4	3	6	12	22	11
Sunshine City	13	4	3	6	13	23	11
Box Hill	13	4	2	7	21	26	10
Oakleigh	13	4	2	7	16	22	10
Moreland	12	3	2	7	8	19	8

THIRD DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Ajax	13	10	1	2	31	12	21
Frankston	13	10	0	3	42	7	20
Trident	13	10	0	3	28	15	20
Altona	13	9	1	3	25	18	19
F.N.D.	13	6	2	5	32	24	14
Moorabbin	13	6	1	6	38	25	13
Essendon	13	6	1	6	18	18	13
Heidelberg	13	5	2	6	15	16	12
Northcote	13	4	2	7	15	27	10
Waverley	13	3	3	7	18	22	9
Croydon	13	2	1	10	11	36	5
I.C.I.	13	0	13	10	63	0	

FOURTH DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Hercules	13	11	2	0	51	13	24
St. Albans	13	8	2	3	29	11	18
Springvale	13	7	4	2	30	23	18
Brighton	13	7	3	3	29	16	17
Ferntree Gully	13	7	3	3	43	30	17
Ringwood	13	7	2	4	37	27	16
Richmond	13	5	5	3	21	16	15
Libertas	13	5	5	3	22	19	15
University	13	5	2	6	21	21	12
Prahran	13	3	4	6	21	28	10
Park Rangers	13	3	1	9	21	50	7
South Yarra	13	2	2	9	25	43	6
Bayswater	13	1	3	9	11	26	5

(Melita withdrawn)

FIRST DIVISION RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
Box Hill	13	13	0	4	5	8	26
Sunshine City	13	8	3	2	37	14	19
Dandenong	13	7	2	4	35	19	16
Sandringham	13	7	0	6	28	23	14
Moreland	13	5	4	4	13	17	14
Austria	13	5	3	5	23	22	13
Alexander	13	5	3	5	27	26	13
Makedonia	13	5	3	5	20	20	13
Oakleigh	13	2	5	6	14	39	9
Athena	13	2	4	7	15	34	8
Moonee Ponds	13	2	2	9	12	29	6
Coburg	13	2	1	10	10	28	5
Brighton	12	10	0	2	47	14	20

SECOND DIVISION RESERVES

	P	W	D	L	F	A	P
St. Albans	12	8	2	2	26	12	18
University	12	6	2	4	19	19	14
Park Rangers	12	7	1	4	27	17	13
Springvale	12	5	2	5	26	21	12
Prahran	12	5	1	6	25	24	11
Libertas	11	3	4	4	10	15	10
South Yarra	12	4	3	5	15	35	10
Ringwood	12	2	3	7	17	29	7
Bayswater	12	3	0	6	11	24	7



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		P	W	D	F	A
Frankston	10	8	0	2	61	15
Altona	10	6	2	3	66	14
Clayton	10	5	2	3	37	13
Essendon	11	4	1	4	16	22
F.N.D.	11	4	1	4	16	22
Moorabbin	10	2	4	17	25	8
I.C.I.	11	3	1	7	15	31
Heidelberg	10	2	1	7	12	34
Northcote	10	2	0	8	39	4

OVERSEAS RESULTS

WORLD CUP
Matches played in Europe last weekend

INTERNATIONAL

Malmö, Sweden.—Sweden and Italy drew 2-2 in an international here. Italy led 1-0 at half time.

AUSTRIA

Schwechat 2, W.A.G. 1; Wiener Sportclub 0, Vienna 2; Rapid 0, Admira/Energie 2; Sturm Graz

JIM COOK

THE SUPREME SOCCER PAGE

VOIGT JOINS JUVENTUS

DEITER VOIGT, the brilliant Lions goalkeeper, has joined Juventus in a straight cash deal.

IS THIS A RECORD?

And I believe the figure was around the £800 mark.

After lengthy negotiations, the future of the 26-year-old German-born keeper is secure.

Originally, talks between the two clubs suggested that an exchange deal would take place.

The names of former Box Hill forward, Noel Kenny and veteran centre half, Rocky Frangigone, had been mentioned in this connection.

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HELLAS players have been promised a trip to Greece if they win the 1965 championship. That's something to strive for, isn't it.

REMEMBER I told you a week ago about the player with cleanest boots in the game who was looking for a transfer from Makedonia? Well, he got it! Sandy Wilson has now joined Wilhelmina as a copy cat!!

MIKE DE BRUYCKERE, former playing coach of Lions, wants to transfer to second division club Ringwood United.

BOU LIS KAMBOUROPOULOUS, Hellas inside right, is doing well in his English studies and works at the Motor Registration Branch.

HUUB VLUEGELS, Wilhelmina left or right half back, is looking for a transfer.

THAT knock on the knee Nigle Shepherd received when representing Australia against Chelsea at Olympic Park was more serious than it looked. Slavia's doctor told him he couldn't play against Croatia recently.

RUMOR is that Bill Curran will be leaving Hellas as team manager. He's done a mighty job at Middle Park and if he goes the club will miss him. Jim Davies is assistant Hellas coach now.

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• It takes a lot to stop J.U.S.T. forward Archie Blue when he has the ball at his feet. And Sunday at Olympic Park was no exception.



THIS WINGER IS A WINNER

WHILE clubs are scrambling over themselves in a race to get overseas players it amazes me that the talents of Mangopolous, the youthful Alexander right winger, appear to have been unnoticed.

I watched this winger on several occasions last season while he was playing State League Soccer and saw enough to be convinced that this 18-year-old has what it takes to make the top grade with a top side.

A protégé of Tommy Anderson, the former Hellas player, Mangopolous won many Juniors honors.

Nicely built for winger, he's exceptionally fast, possesses good ball control and shows simplicity in keeping to the touchline or cutting in as the occasion arises.

I predict a big future for this boy if he gets the chance and support so essentially needed to develop his play and style.

ENVER BEGOVIC, honorary president of Croatia, made a forecast last week that his team would beat Polonia — AND THEY DID! He also said at the time that the club would finish in the top eight this season. And with all the talent in the club, I think he's right on the ball!

BRUCE TUCK, former Victorian Federation Junior treasurer, handed his books and balance sheet into Soccer House when he resigned last year. Big question now is "Where are they?" A search last week failed to find any trace of them!

WHAT did Triestina prove with all that nonsense last week about not wanting to play because one of their players was suspended? Nothing, only the usual bad publicity for Soccer. Thank goodness one man, Bruno Tessari, had the intelligence to pull the team together.

Clubs with this kind of attitude should certainly not be in the State League or in any Soccer league for that matter. Had this on again, off again attitude not been adopted there would have been a much larger crowd at Middle Park. And who really suffered? Hakoah, of course, the home team.



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ANDREW ROUSSIS, the 23-year-old Hellas star centre half, is proving a great mine host at his club above the Greek Community Building at the corner of Russell and Lonsdale Sts., City. After every Hellas match, players, supporters and friends gather there for refreshments and snooker.

NICE to see Johnny Anderson taking such a keen interest in South Melbourne Hellas Under 16's.

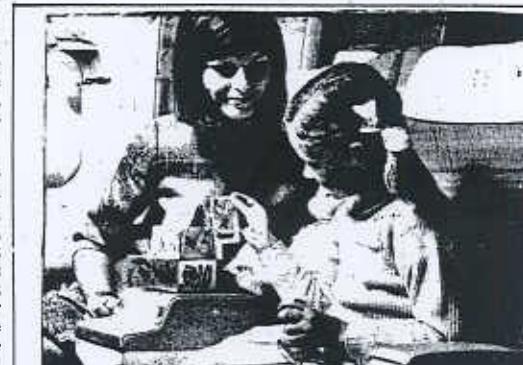
Last week it was encouraging to see players Ernie Ackery, Mike Mandalis, Johnny Bedford and Sam Service giving him a hand with junior coaching at Middle Park.

BANG in the middle of a crisis, Triestina received another set back when ace keeper, Ernie Grosz requested a transfer. And despite their plight, Bruno Tessari the club president has agreed to listen to offers for the player.

I see a quick ending to this move as at least two State League clubs are almost certain to make a bid for this talented goalie. The 29-year-old Grosz, since coming to Australia eight years ago, has played for Budapest (Adelaide), Melbourne-Hungary and Budapest (Sydney), before joining Triestina last year. Ernie played for South Australia against Hearts in 1959 and also represented Victoria this season against visiting Russian side Mos-

HERE'S a good promotion idea for the Federation. Nearly every man and youth (apart from those Beatle types) at some time or another visits a barber's shop. Why not send a copy of Soccer News every week to all the City barbers. You'd be surprised how many would read it. Good public relations too. Why can't Soccer's top brass think of these ideas?

DUE to an error in the current Soccer Year Book, the telephone number of Triestina's president, Mr. B. Tessari, has been misprinted. As a result, a certain Mrs. Kelly of Moonee Ponds has been plagued by telephone calls intended for Mr. Tessari. Please help. Write in this correction NOW. Mr. Tessari's daytime number is 37 6194. His evening number is 36 8057.



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